

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-35

RE: C.R. NO. 20-46/EDUCATION

SUBJECT: CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MS. ALISSA R. TAKESY TO SERVE AS THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE ON THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP BOARD.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Twentieth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Second Regular Session, 2017

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred C.R. No. 20-46, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MS. ALISSA R. TAKESY TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP BOARD REPRESENTING THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of this resolution are expressed in its title.

The nomination under consideration in this report is to fill the final vacancy in our National Scholarship Board, which became law last year in Public Law No. 19-90. Your Committee has long understood the importance of the efficient implementation of reasonable and fair standards in the award of our National scholarships, and it is important that members of the National Scholarship Board

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are able to operate at the highest levels when dealing with financial awards affecting the future of our students. It is especially important to have members of the first National Scholarship Board who can develop, implement and maintain the efficient and skilled administration of the scholarship awards.

On September 27, 2017, your Committee held public hearing regarding the nomination of Ms. Alissa R. Takesy, as the FSM National Government representative for the National Scholarship Board. Present at this hearing were the Secretary of the Department of Education and his key staff, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the National Scholarship Board, the nominee, as well as, a representative from the Office of the President.

The nominee to serve as the representative for the National Government is a well respected public servant. She is currently the Assistant Secretary for the Department of Resources and Development, and has served with distinction in the areas of resource development and conservation for more than fourteen years. She is also highly educated having attained a Master's Degree in Sustainable International Development from Brandeis University. The nominee is well known to the Committee. All of the witnesses at the hearing on Ms. Takesy's nomination spoke highly of her, and endorsed her nomination.

Ms. Takesy is known for her personal integrity and work ethic. She has been recommended by the Secretary of Education, Chairman of the National Scholarship Board and the President. The Secretary of the Department of Resources and Development was consulted regarding this nomination and agrees that the nominee is able to serve on the National Scholarship Board without it adversely affecting her work for his department. The nominee also stated that she believed she would be able to serve on the

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Board without undue hardship, and she was willing to serve. Further, your Committee defers to the President and the National Scholarship Board as to the decision to put forward this nominee.

Absent any contrary indication, your Committee believes this nominee should be confirmed, and so recommends that Ms. Alissa R. Takesy, be confirmed as the FSM National Government representative on the National Scholarship Board of the Federated States of Micronesia. Your Committee on Education is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 20-46, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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